DAILY PLANET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

Tuesday, July 15

Senator Sessions Says 'America Proud of Good Work' of Columbia

Amid a busy day of science research, the crew of Columbia talked with Alabama Sen. Jeff Sessions during his visit to Marshall's Spacelab Mission Operations Control Center Monday. "All of America is proud of the good work you are doing," Sessions told the crew, then in Day 14 of a 16-day mission. "This is the beginning of a commercially feasible adventure into space exploration, characteristic of this nation -- a nation of explorers," Sessions said. Columbia is scheduled to return to KSC Thursday.

Tuesday's NASA TV Schedule

10:30 a.m. STS-94 Mission

Update

11 a.m. STS-94 Flight Day 14 highlights

12 p.m. Mars Pathfinder briefing

1:30 p.m.
STS-94 mission status/
science briefings (May
be cancelled)

3 p.m. STS-94 Flight Day 15 highlights

Robert Jackson Named Manager of Microgravity Science, Applications

Robert J. Jackson has been appointed manager of Marshall's Microgravity Science and Applications Projects Office. Effective immediately, Jackson will oversee projects in the areas of microgravity materials science, microgravity biotechnology, and glovebox flight activities. Jackson has served as manager of the Space Station Operations and Utilization Office. He joined Marshall in 1962.

Center Employees Get Buyout Survey to Consider for FY98/99

A buyout survey has been sent to all Marshall civil service employees. Employees are asked to indicate their interest in taking a buyout for FY98/FY99. Survey forms should be returned to Edwina Bressette, CM21, no later than close of business July 25.